

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**CORRECTED
FISCAL NOTE**

HB 808 - SB 1237

March 16, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits a student from being admitted to a public higher education institution unless the student can establish United States citizenship or that such student is lawfully in the United States.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

On February 17, 2009, we issued a fiscal note for this bill indicating a not significant increase in state expenditures. Based on additional information received from the Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR) and the University of Tennessee (UT) systems, the fiscal impact of this bill is as follow:

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**Increase State Expenditures – \$128,000/One-Time
\$1,024,000/Recurring**

Assumptions:

- According to the TBR and UT systems, additional support personnel will be required to verify that all students are either United States citizens or are lawfully in the United States before such students can be admitted to a public higher education institution.
- TBR estimates that 24 FTE personnel will be required across the TBR system (8 for the Universities, 8 for the Community Colleges, and 8 for the Technology Centers).
- UT estimates that eight FTE personnel will be required across the UT system (two each at Chattanooga, Knoxville, Martin, and the Health Science Center).
- Using an average annual salary for administrative support positions of \$32,000 (\$25,000 salary and \$7,000 benefits), the cost for the TBR system is estimated to be \$768,000 (24 x \$32,000) and \$256,000 (8 x \$32,000) for the UT system.
- Estimated one-time expenditures of \$128,000 for office furnishings, computer equipment, and training.

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CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" and last name "White" clearly legible, and "W." in the middle.

James W. White, Executive Director

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